

## Rule: # 11.56.02

### Recognized Fraternities and Sororities within the Department of Greek Life: Rule for Gaining and Maintaining Recognition

**Authority:** Issued by the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs. Changes or exceptions to administrative rules issued by the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs may only be made by the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

**History:** First issued January 2004; Last revised June 2007.

**Related Policies:** REG 11.55.7 – Registered Student Organizations: Regulation for Undergraduate Student Leadership, Membership, and Registration; RULE # 00.00.0 – Procedures for Recruitment and New Member Activities; and RULE # 00.00.0 – Procedures for Intake of Members

**Related Information:** Forms for Chapter Officer Rosters, Chapter Advisor Rosters, and Membership Roster Addition/Change of Status: [http://www.ncsu.edu/greek\\_life/forms/index.html](http://www.ncsu.edu/greek_life/forms/index.html); Standards Program: [http://www.ncsu.edu/greek\\_life/programs/index.html](http://www.ncsu.edu/greek_life/programs/index.html).

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1. **Introduction:** The Department of Greek Life will only grant recognition to fraternities and sororities who abide by this rule. Chapters of National Fraternities and Sororities affiliated with National Umbrella Organizations including, but not limited to, the NIC, NPC, NPHC, or NALFO, must be recognized by the Department of Greek Life in order to maintain good standing as a registered student organization at NC State. Special Interest fraternities or sororities wishing to take advantage of privileges, resources, programs and advisement offered by the Department of Greek Life can seek recognition by meeting the requirements listed below. Not all Greek Letter organizations may wish to be affiliated with/recognized by the Department. In that case, those fraternities and sororities need only to seek recognition as a registered student organization at NC State University.
2. **Steps to gaining and maintaining recognition by the Department of Greek Life**
  - 2.1. Register with the Student Organization Resource Center (SORC) as a student organization and maintain good standing. Doing so grants a fraternity or sorority privileges. Privileges include the use of meeting and program space, on-campus solicitation and fund-raising opportunities, the right to apply to the Student Senate for the use of student fees, and the ability to link a student organization's homepage to the University's web. Contact SORC at: 1202 Talley Student Center or <http://www.ncsu.edu/sorc/> for questions. A copy of the chapter's yearly registration/renewal must be submitted to Greek Life by September 1<sup>st</sup> each year.
    - 2.1.1. Colonizations/Revitalizations/Interest Groups need to establish four (4) or more enrolled NC State students or have the full support of a governing council partnered with a national organization before they are eligible to register.
    - 2.1.2. The Department of Greek Life may grant established fraternities or sororities with less than four (4) enrolled NC State students one courtesy registration by SORC as they re-build their membership. Courtesy registration will not be granted by the Department of Greek Life for fraternities or sororities whose Chapter GPA falls below a 2.0, or whose members are on Academic Warning/Suspension.
  - 2.2. Comply with the applicable Department of Greek Life Membership Rules, i.e., Rule 00.00.00 – Fraternities and Sororities – Procedures for Recruitment and New Member Activities or Rule 00.00.00 – Fraternities and Sororities – Procedures for Intake of Members. One rule covers chapters that conduct their membership process via recruitment (aka rush). The other rule covers chapters who conduct intake.
  - 2.3. Submit and maintain up to date contact information for chapter officers and advisors using the Department [Chapter Officer Roster](#) and [Chapter Advisor Roster](#) forms. Forms should be submitted no later than 2 weeks after the first day of classes each semester to the Department of Greek Life. If elections are held mid-semester, forms should be completed for new officers within one week of elections.

- 2.4. Submit and maintain an up to date membership roster with the Department of Greek Life. New members must be added in accordance with the Membership Regulations timeframe. All members to be removed from the roster must be submitted to the Department on the appropriate form no later than November 15<sup>th</sup> for fall semester and April 15<sup>th</sup> for spring semester. Members may only be added or removed using the Department [Membership Roster Addition/Deletion form](#) or the [Verification of Candidates/Aspirants form](#) located in the Membership Regulations packet.
  - 2.5. Maintain good standing with your National/International Organization.
  - 2.6. Be recognized by one of the following Governing Councils and maintain good standing with that Council: (a) NPC groups must be recognized by the Panhellenic Association, (b) NIC and FLA groups must be recognized by the Interfraternity Council, (c) NPHC groups must be recognized by the NPHC of NC State, (d) the Collaborative Greek Council; membership to the Collaborative Greek Council is open to all fraternities and sororities regardless of national affiliation, provided the local organization meets the Council requirements for membership.
  - 2.7. Participate in the NC State Standards Program for Fraternities and Sororities.
3. **Loss of recognition and/or regaining recognition:** Any group who fails to comply with the Recognition Rule may lose its recognition by the Department of Greek Life. In order to regain recognition, the Department of Greek Life may impose other requirements that must be met by chapters in addition to the seven above.